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Sd./-(Rizwanullah) Deputy Secretary (Law)

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to provide for allocation of coal mines and vesting of the right, title and interest in and over the land and mine infrastructure together with mining leases to successful bidders and allottees with a view to ensure continuity in coal mining operations and production of coal, and for promoting optimum utilization of coal resources consistent with the requirement of the country in national interest and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court *vide* judgment dated 25th August, 2014 read with its order dated 24th September, 2014 has cancelled the allocation of coal blocks and issued directions with regard to such coal blocks and the Central Government in pursuance of the said directions has to take immediate action to implement the said order;

AND, WHEREAS, it is expedient in public interest for the Central Government to take immediate action to allocation coal mines to successful bidders and allottees keeping in view the energy security of the country and to minimize any impact on core sectors such as steel, cement and power utilities, which are vital for the development of the nation;

AND, WHEREAS, Parliament is competent to legislate under entry 54 of List I of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution for regulation of mines and mineral development to the

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